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Dr. Herbert Scoville

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Dear Pete -

A few months ago, you wrote to me asking if I could suggest good technical and scientific personnel that you could hire. Last week, [redacted] relayed to me your disapproval of my request to be allowed to accept the invitation extended by the German Government for me to give a paper at their International Congress on Air and Space Navigation. These two acts seem to me to be incongruous.

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I have recently completed a job survey in the Los Angeles, San Francisco area. With one exception (a very small company) every industry that I contacted (10 or 12) had a policy that would have approved with enthusiasm a request for me to give a paper at this meeting. They also supported my planned trip to Geneva for the CCIR meeting of Jan. 16 - Feb. 15.

This is not a personal plea (altho if you should repent, I would be very happy) for this invitation. I hope by this letter to bring to your attention the conflict in (a) trying to get good scientific personnel v.s. (b) the need to support them in their scientific world.

I hope this analysis is of value to you.

Sincerely yours,

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